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House File 144

January 29, 1947.  
Railroads.

By LAWRENCE, DUFFIELD, TROEGER.

## A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section four hundred seventy-seven point twenty-two (477.22), Code 1946, relating to headlights for rail employees when using track power cars at night.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1     Section 1: Section four hundred seventy-seven point  
2     twenty-two (477.22), Code 1946, is hereby amended by  
3     inserting after the word "passengers" in line nine (9), the  
4     following: ", employees".

5     Further amend by striking the period at the end of  
6     said section and adding the following: "; provided, however,  
7     that track power cars used by employees in the performance of  
8     work, shall be equipped with an electric headlight of  
9     sufficient candlepower, measured with a reflector to throw a  
10    light that will enable the operator to see an obstruction on  
11    the track for a distance of 500 feet."

### EXPLANATION OF H. F. 144

Railroad employees are frequently called out after storms and emergencies for inspection of track and bridges ahead of passenger and fast freight trains. In many instances insufficient light is afforded the track power cars so that the employee is riding through the dark on safety inspection, and liable to overlook broken rails or obstructions on the track.